

ABSTRACT

The virtual utility manager ("VUM") is a focal point for the aggregation and liquidation of curtailment energy assets. The VUM receives curtailment energy commitments from energy consumers or load-supplying entities (LSEs) who have executed load curtailment contracts with energy consumers. These load-supplying entities as well as energy consumers desire the ability to market their curtailment assets. The VUM can aggregate the commitments and provide the aggregate energy commitments to energy market participants. The VUM also monitors curtailment performance and provide this monitoring information to the involved participants.

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